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SUPERVISORS ADOPT STATE ENGINEERS SUGGESTIONS

Construction Work Will Begin Within
Sixty Days on Clifton-Solomonville
State Highway—Convict Labor to
Be Used

CHAMBER COMMERCE BANQUET

Endorses Clifton-Mogollon Highway
at Enthusiastic Meeting at Reardon
Cafe on Tuesday Evening

That the citizens of Greenlee county are enthusiastically in favor of the early construction of good roads, east and west and north and south, connecting the agricultural and mining districts of this county, with adjacent counties, both in Arizona and New Mexico, was evidenced in full force at a banquet arranged by the Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce and held at the Reardon Cafe on Tuesday evening.

The meeting was one of the most important ever held by this organization, both in point of attendance and representation of taxpaying interests.

Among the distinguished visitors present from a distance were S. J. Kidder, General Manager of the Mogollon Mines Co., of Mogollon, N. M.; Hon. Lamar Cobb, Arizona State Engineer, George A. Foote, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Graham county, Adolph Young, County Engineer of Graham county; Mr. Layton, Clerk of the Board of Graham County; Jos. Cohn, editor of the Duncan News; J. R. Fowler, President of the Duncan Commercial Club, and others from Duncan, Morenci, and Metcalf. In all sixty-five members of the Greenlee County Commercial Club and guests were seated at the dinner.

The affair was arranged to listen to a statement from Mr. S. J. Kidder regarding the co-operative plan of constructing a highway from Clifton to Mogollon and also a report from State Engineer Lamar Cobb regarding Federal aid and forestry appropriations for highway building in Arizona, in addition to a report from him on the probability of the early construction of the Clifton-Solomonville State Highway. In addition to the speeches made by Messrs. Kidder and Cobb, the Chamber of Commerce listened attentively to a response by Norman Carmichael, General Manager of the Arizona Copper Co. Ltd.; Adolph Young, County Engineer of Graham; George Foote, of Graham; W. T. Witt, of Greenlee; J. R. Fowler, of Duncan; and Dell M. Potter, of Clifton.

At the conclusion of the report W. B. Kelly, President of the Chamber of Commerce introduced Hon. A. R. Lynch as Toastmaster for the occasion and in introducing the several speakers, "the little giant" was at his best. After poking fun at the committee composed of Messrs. Kelly, Webster and Redd, who visited the mine managers at Mogollon several weeks ago, Mr. Lynch introduced Mr. Kidder.

Mr. Kidder made a business presentation of the difficulties which continually surround the transportation over poor roads of mining supplies and merchandise between Mogollon and Silver City, a distance of approximately eighty miles and stated that for some time his company had under consideration a shorter and better outlet from Mogollon to Clifton, thereby effecting a saving in haulage charges and also giving the Mogollon district an outlet to an agricultural section. Mr. Kidder stated that the roads in this section were a revelation to him and that he was personally convinced that the road between Clifton and Mogollon was feasible and that if the mining companies and others interested in the Mogollon district would be justified in making the expenditure necessary to construct the road from the Arizona line to Mogollon provided the Board of Supervisors would make the necessary connection at that point. Mr. Kidder estimated that the haul distance could be reduced approximately twenty miles over the present Silver City route. His address was listened to closely by all present and the consensus of opinion was that it would only be a short time before the Mogollon Mining District would be connected directly with Greenlee county.

Mr. Kidder was followed by Mr. Cobb who told the assemblage of the progress made at this session of Congress for national aid for state highway construction and the appropriation of ten million dollars additional for highway construction within the Reserves. Mr. Cobb is a member of the Executive Committee of the Association of Highway Engineers in the United States and has just returned from Washington and is firmly convinced that Arizona will receive Federal aid in a substantial sum at the hands of the present congress. Reverting to local affairs Mr. Cobb brought the good news, and was applauded, when he stated that he was now prepared to begin immediate construction of the State Highway between Clifton and Solomonville, and with the co-operation of the Boards of Graham and Greenlee county, would have a force employed

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U. S. SOLDIERS USING THE LATEST STYLE TRENCHES



INTERNATIONAL
NEWS SERVICE

ATTEMPTS LIFE WITH DYNAMITE

House Blown Up in North Clifton
and Owner has Narrow Escape from
Death.

About 11 o'clock Monday night the residents of North Clifton near the pump station were aroused from their slumbers by a terrific explosion which was thought by some to have been a blast, but upon investigation by the sleepy neighbors, it was found that the house of Jose Jurado had been dynamited with the evident intention of taking the life of the occupant.

The explosive was undoubtedly placed under the man's bed on the floor, the person gaining access to the house, as the force of the explosion was in a downward direction. The bed and the room in which it was situated were a wreck and the side of the house was blown away, and had the occupant been in bed at the time his fate would not be at all problematical.

Jurado, who works for the Shannon Copper company, was on night shift, and it was his usual custom to arrive home about eleven o'clock, but on Monday night some good fairy must have been on the job watching over his destiny, as he did not arrive home until some time after 11:30. It appears that whoever was responsible for the outrage was closely acquainted with his habits and had his evil intentions not miscarried Jurado would have been killed.

An investigation of the affair was made and early Tuesday morning Jesus Apodaca was taken into custody, it being believed by the officers that he was cognizant of the plot to wreck the house and had good reason to seek Jurado's life. It is understood that for some time past Jurado had been living with Apodaca's wife and that several months ago the matter was aired in the local justice court with what was supposed to have been an amicable adjustment, but it seems that Jurado has persisted in his illicit relations with the woman to the present time much against the wishes of her husband. It is also stated that Apodaca has at different times made threats against the life of Jurado if he did not cease his attentions to the former's wife.

It is the supposition that patience had ceased to be a virtue with Apodaca and that his pent-up anger against the destroyer of his home led him to make the attempt on his life. Apodaca is now confined in the county jail awaiting a hearing.

Big Benefit Exhibition—
The Retail Clerks Association, of Clifton, under the direction of Al Wasem, the light weight champion wrestler, have arranged for a big entertainment in the sport line at the Princess Theatre on Monday evening, next, commencing at 7:30 p. m. Tickets for the event also include admission to the picture show. There will be blackened gloves contests, wrestling matches, and Al Wasem will take on a mysterious unknown who is touted to put the Clifton favorite on the mat. The proceeds of the entertainment will be devoted to a worthy cause.

State Temperance Federation—

Rev. Wm. J. Gordon returned on Tuesday of this week from Phoenix, where he attended the State Temperance Federation. He reports an enthusiastic meeting, in which several measures pertaining to prohibition were discussed and measures were adopted supplementing the present law by providing for sacramental and scientific uses of wine and grain alcohol, slaps the "personal use" decision square in the face. The measure will be published as soon as initiative petitions are ready for circulation.

Visiting Mother—

Mrs. Chas. Owen arrived in Clifton from El Paso Tuesday night and is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. Brutinel. Mrs. Owen and Mrs. Brutinel expect to join Mr. Owen the first of next week on a hunting and camping trip in the Graham mountains.

FIRE DESTROYS KARIBO HOME

North Clifton Home Destroyed in
Short Time, But Very Little of the
Contents Saved.

The home of Charles Karibo in North Clifton was almost totally destroyed by fire Wednesday afternoon, but a few of the personal belongings being saved. The alarm was turned in about three o'clock and before the Clifton fire boys had reached the scene the house was in a mass of flames and a strong wind whipped the blaze in every direction. At the beginning it looked as though all the houses in the immediate neighborhood were doomed to the same fate but after the arrival of the fire department, combined with excellent water pressure three streams of water were turned upon the building and the flames were subdued.

The house was completely gutted and only the walls were left standing, and on account of the strong wind at the time it is a miracle that the whole structure was not completely destroyed. It is not known how the fire originated but is thought to have been caused by an over heated stove. None of the contents of the house was saved except a piano although a goodly amount of clothing and personal effects were rescued, among which was a quantity of jewels and money.

The house was owned by Mrs. Archie Morrison and it is understood that no insurance was carried on the building. The flames had scarcely been subdued when a second alarm was turned in and this time a dwelling directly in front of the Karibo home was discovered to be on fire on the roof. This was shortly put out and the excitement in that end of town was abated.

Too much caution cannot be taken at this time of the year to guard against fires, as the dry condition of the buildings and the high winds might easily result in a most disastrous conflagration.

As chief executive of the town, Mayor Fraser, in behalf of the citizens, wishes to commend the Clifton Fire boys and the Clifton Water company upon the adequate fire protection recently given them. The water service, in the case of the two big fires in the past week, has been excellent and the pressure has been all that could be asked for and the citizens now feel more secure from the ravages of fires than heretofore.

MORENCI COUPLE WED

Mr. Ross Prouty and Miss Florence Morrison were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Albrecht in Hill's Flat Saturday evening at six o'clock. Bishop Atwood, of Phoenix, performing the ceremony and speaking the words that made the young couple man and wife. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few friends, those from out of town being Miss Edith Johnson and Will Porri of Morenci. Following the service a wedding dinner was enjoyed after which Mr. and Mrs. Prouty left by automobile for Morenci where they will make their future home. The newlyweds are anticipating an extended honeymoon later in the summer.

Mr. Prouty is connected with the D. C. engineering department of the Detroit Copper Mining company and since his residence in the Hill City has made a host of friends who congratulate him upon his choice of a life partner. The bride who is a winsome young lady, has been identified with the teaching force of the Morenci public schools for the past two years and by her winning and affable personality has gained a strong hold on the affections of all with whom she came in contact.

The newly married couple are busy this week in receiving the felicitations of their numerous friends in Morenci where they are cosily situated in their new home.

Mrs. George Carlton left Tuesday morning for Houston, Texas, where she will spend the next two months. Before returning to Clifton she will visit in other Texas points.

REGISTRATION IN GREENLEE COUNTY

300 Registered Voters Up To Date
Registration Figures of This District.

County Recorder Rodney Ellis estimates that the registration for Greenlee county will exceed 3,200 names. In 1914 the total registration was 3,300.

Under the law the time allowed for this accomplishment is about five months. A little further figuring will produce the further facts that an average of 650 names in duplicate for each of these five months must be obtained by the county recorder, who is entrusted with this important function under the law, in order to get all these names in the office. A glance at the task ahead when the name is presented for registration will dumbfound most people. For each registration blank issued, the description of the voter must be obtained and the affidavit as to the truth of the statements thereon taken. One of these blanks is given to the voter and one sent to the recorder's office. What is done before the reception of the blank at the recorder's office is nothing compared to what has to be done afterwards. Two registers must be made up, each containing a copy of the signature of the voter. One of these names is pasted into the great register of the county and the other into the precinct register. But this is not all. Along side of each name pasted in these registers, and they must correspond to the merest detail, is the number of the voter, his age, description of any deformities, and the political party to which he is affiliated.

Imagine all this work. Three thousand names to be pasted and fifteen hundred descriptions, etc., to be copied twice. The object of all this is to protect the ballot and the system of voting. The blanks are not destroyed, but are kept numbered and filed and stored away in the vault of the recorder's office as a part of the records. When the registration closes on September 2, the precinct registers are made up and sent to the various precincts to be used for the primary election on September 12th. They are then returned and the registration is again opened, and the books kept up to date with the names, etc., of the voters who register after that time until October 15th when the books are finally closed for this year. The books are then prepared for the general election on November 7th.

A force of extra help is always employed during the registration period and a force of extra deputies are appointed for registration duty around the county. Up to the present time there has been a total of 300 registered.

Trip To Grand Canyon—

J. A. Albrecht, of the Casler & Albrecht auto service, is arranging for a trip by automobile to the Grand Canyon to be made in their new 8 cylinder Cadillac which they have recently purchased. Accommodations for four or five persons will be made and it is desired to make the trip some time during the month of June before the rains interfere with travel. The expenses for the trip will be reasonable and it will be made by the way of Globe, the Roosevelt dam, Phoenix, Prescott, and Williams. For anyone wishing a two weeks delightful vacation this is an opportunity that should not be overlooked. It is expected that five days each way will be consumed in making the trip. Anyone wishing to take advantage of this exceptional opportunity will do well to see Mr. Albrecht at once for a reservation.

Musicals at Princess

Friends and patrons are invited to attend a musical to be given by the voice and piano pupils from Miss Kent's class on Thursday afternoon, June 1st, at 3:30 at the Princess.

A Correction—

The Era acknowledges an error in last week's issue in regard to the automobile accident between Clifton and Morenci. Instead of the Morenci car being driven by Lawrence La Point as stated, the machine was the Case car of J. H. Beals.

TOWN ELECTION PASSES OFF QUIETLY

A Full Democratic Ticket Elected
With One Exception. Republicans
Succeeded in Placing Candidate on
City Council.

The city election which was held last Monday passed off quietly, although several of the respective candidates were busy in enlisting votes for themselves. Several automobiles were also requisitioned to bring the voters to the polls, but interest generally was apathetic.

The number of votes cast at the election was 629 out of a total registration of 912. The Democrats elected a complete ticket with the exception of one councilman, Richard Stephens, the Republican candidate, who was the only successful candidate of the opposing party to land an office. Tom Sidebotham, a candidate for reelection to the council was defeated by a small majority while Arthur Slaughter led the aldermanic vote with Mrs. Joe Deck a close second. Vandercook, for street supervisor, defeated J. E. Penn, the republican candidate, by 207 votes.

Mat Danenhauer, for clerk, led the Democratic ticket with a total of 534 votes, while G. L. Crawford, for marshal, came second with 525. There was no opposition for these offices in the general election and the primaries virtually determined their election.

The following figures tell the tale of the election:

FOR COUNCILMAN—Dem.	
O. J. Cotey	383
Mrs. Joe Deck	418
Arthur Slaughter	456
F. H. Springer	350
Walter Tappin, Sr.	385
C. W. Young	324
Republican	
J. C. Gatti	146
Henry Hill	235
George Reitzer	261
Richard Stephens	305
F. Backstein	229
FOR TOWN CLERK	
Mat Danenhauer	534
FOR MARSHAL	
G. L. Crawford	525
FOR STREET SUPERVISOR	
B. Vandercook, dem.	405
J. E. Penn, Rep.	198

WOMEN ORGANIZE SUFFRAGE LEAGUE

Congressional Union For Woman Suffrage Working for Susan B. Anthony Amendment.

Mrs. E. St. Clair Thompson, representing the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, arrived in Clifton on Tuesday of last week, and delivered a lecture in the High School here Wednesday evening.

The object of the meeting was to form a committee for the purpose of bringing pressure upon Congress to make possible the passage of the Susan B. Anthony Amendment to the Constitution to enfranchise women of the United States.

A committee for Greenlee county was organized here for that purpose, which will co-operate with the State committee, of which Mrs. Wm. A. Sawtelle of Tucson is chairman.

Following the address by Mrs. Thompson, the following officers were elected of the Greenlee County Headquarters of the Congressional Union League for Woman Suffrage:

Mrs. W. B. Kelly, chairman; Mrs. R. K. Minson, Secretary; Mrs. Margaret Crawford, Secretary; Vice-Chairmen, Mrs. J. F. Deck, Mrs. Walter Foote, Mrs. Mike Reardon, Mrs. W. Weiss, Mrs. Paul Reisinger, Mrs. W. B. Mitchell.

In addition to the general officers, the following Clifton Township officers were chosen:

Mrs. Howard Mix, Chairman; Mrs. J. C. Frapps, Membership; Mrs. W. B. Mitchell, Finance; Mrs. Sara York, Resolutions; Mrs. B. F. Bowman, Legislative; Mrs. Edward Leland, Subscriptions and Sale of Literature; Mrs. John Irvine, Publicity.

Officers have been appointed also for most of the voting precincts of the county and during the week three meetings were held on Shannon Hill at which time resolutions favoring the Susan B. Anthony amendment were adopted and forwarded to Washington. A meeting was also held on Saturday afternoon last in Hill's Addition and similar resolutions adopted.

A monster rally will also be held at the Princess Theatre on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock when several interested women will speak including Mrs. Hendrix and Mrs. Mitchell, of Shannon Hill; Mrs. Willets, of North Clifton and Mrs. Jos. Deck, of South Clifton.

June 5, 6 and 7 the Woman's party will hold a convention in Chicago. There is only one plank in their platform, and that is the Anthony Amendment to the Constitution. Thus far about 40,000 delegates have signed their intention of attending and by the time the convention is held the number will be greatly augmented.

LABOR UNIONS RECRUIT MANY MEMBERS

Enthusiastic Meetings Held in Clifton, Morenci and Metcalf on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of This Week in the Interest of Organized Labor Largely Help Cause.

The three days' campaign in the interest of organized labor known as the "Labor Forward Movement" was opened at Clifton on Monday afternoon at which time a large crowd of men and women gathered on the plaza to listen to the speeches and band selections.

A short preliminary talk on the days' activities was given on the plaza shortly after noon by John L. Donnelly, vice-president of the Arizona State Federation of Labor, who is now stationed in this district. A meeting for the ladies especially had been advertised for 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon at which time Mr. Donnelly chose as his subject "Woman's Relation to the Labor Movement." Several hundred union men, headed by the Morenci band, marched from union headquarters on Chase Creek and assembled on the plaza for the speechmaking. Several prettily decorated floats and carriages were also in line, noticeable among which were those representing the New Bakery and Julian Gabaldon.

The afternoon speaking was opened by some of the well known Mexican members of the union, among whom were three lady speakers, after which Mr. Donnelly addressed the audience on the above subject. Mr. Donnelly was at his best on this occasion and treated his subject in a thoroughly capable manner.

In opening Mr. Donnelly stated that woman's work in the field of labor had reached such proportions in the last few years that she deserved as much recognition among the labor organizations, and in fact in all the industrial pursuits of the world, as the men, and that this was becoming to be recognized more and more as the labor movement progressed. He referred to the early days when the women labored at the spinning jenny in order to make clothes for the family. They also labored side by side with the men in the fields and thus have their share of the industrial labors which have from that time to the present been increasing with gigantic strides. He also cited the case of a certain New England town in which today the women factory workers outnumbered the men to a great extent, and in fact the women did the work in the mills and factories while the men attended to the household duties. In enumerating several other instances of the kind Mr. Donnelly clearly showed the part women are taking today in the industrial world and that they should receive and that they are demanding recognition for their services that they may have a voice in the shaping of labor's destiny, is no more than just. "Through the evolution of labor and the economic conditions of the world today woman is laboring by the side of man," concluded Mr. Donnelly, "and in the future she will take her rightful place in having a voice in the affairs of which she is playing so important a part."

At the conclusion of Mr. Donnelly's remarks other speeches were made in Spanish after which the parade once more formed and with the band leading, marched through North Clifton and from there to Shannon Hill. The day was concluded with two big dances in the evening, one at the Princess Theatre and one at the Alhambra on Chase Creek. Later in the evening at union headquarters a large number of new members were taken into the ranks and it is understood that the Labor Forward Movement has added to the unions of the district something over 800 new members. It was stated by a leading union worker that there are now but a few workers of the district outside of the union and that these would soon come to see the light and join the brotherhood of workers.

brotherhood of workers. Of this number Clifton contributed 250, Morenci 450, and Metcalf 145.

On Tuesday the big day was at Morenci where practically the same program was carried out and a great many recruits were added to the union roster. The three days' campaign was concluded with Metcalf as the objective point. The labor leaders of the district feel that the movement in this section was productive of a great deal of good and that the cause of labor was much advanced by the concerted action for new members.

Excursion to Lordsburg—

An excursion train will be run to Lordsburg on next Tuesday, May 30th, Decoration Day, at which time it is expected that a great many Clifton people will avail themselves of the opportunity of visiting the New Mexico town and taking in the sports prepared for that day. The train will leave Clifton at 11 o'clock in the morning and will leave Lordsburg at 9 o'clock in the evening. The fare for the round trip will be \$3.50. A big day of sports has been arranged among which will be a ball game, boxing match and other attractions. Tickets are now on sale at Riley's Confectionery.